

In the Claims

Claims 3-9 are pending herein. Please note that all claims currently pending and under consideration in the referenced application are shown below. Please enter these claims as amended. This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1-2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously Presented) A package for storing discs comprising:

- a) a stacked array of disc trays joined along a spine and defining a stack top, a stack bottom and a stack height; and
- b) a cover having a front portion and a back portion that are separated by a cover spine having a width equal to the stack height, the back portion of the cover including a strip section that is connected to the cover spine along a first hinge line and a back cover section that is connected to the strip section along a second hinge line, wherein the back cover section is fixedly attached to the stack bottom and the front portion and strip section of the cover is separated from engagement with the stack when the cover is pivoted about the first and second hinge axis and moved into an open position.

4. (Previously presented) A package as recited in Claim 3, wherein the trays are substantially planar.

5. (Previously presented) A package as recited in Claim 3, wherein the cover is formed from a single ply substrate.

6. (Previously presented) A package as recited in Claim 3, wherein the back cover section is adhered to the stack bottom.

7. (Previously Presented) A package for storing articles comprising:

- a) a stacked array of substantially planar elements joined along a spine and defining a stack

top, a stack bottom and a stack height; and

- b) a cover having a front portion and a back portion that are separated by a cover spine having a width equal to the stack height, the back portion of the cover including a strip section that is connected to the cover spine along a first hinge line and a back cover section that is connected to the strip section along a second hinge line, wherein the back cover section is fixedly attached to the stack bottom and the front portion and strip section of the cover is separated from engagement with the stack when the cover is pivoted about the first and second hinge axis and moved into an open position.

8. (Currently Amended) A method for making a package for storing discs comprising the steps of:

- a) providing a stacked array of substantially planar elements;
 - b) joining the stacked array of substantially planar elements along a spine so as to define a stack top, a stack bottom and a stack height;
 - c) providing a cover having a front portion and a back portion that are separated by a cover spine having a width equal to the stack height, the back portion of the cover including a strip section that is connected to the cover spine along a first hinge line and a back cover section that is connected to the strip section along a second hinge line; and
 - d) fixedly attaching the back cover section to the stack bottom such that the front portion and strip section of the cover ~~is be~~are separated from engagement with the stack when the cover is pivoted about the first and second hinge axis and moved into an open position.
9. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 8, wherein the step of fixedly attaching the back cover section to the stack bottom includes the step of applying an adhesive to the stack bottom and/or the back cover section.